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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 02886.0084

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Seiji OKAWARA) Group Art Unit: 1764
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Serial No.: 10/660,707) Examiner: K. V. Handal
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Filed: September 12, 2003) Confirmation No.: 7678
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For: FILTER CATALYST FOR)
PURIFYING EXHAUST GASES)
AND ITS MANUFACTURING)
METHOD THEREOF)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

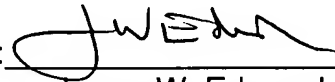
In an Office Action dated August 29, 2006, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I - claims 1-14, drawn to a filter catalyst; or Group II - claim 15, drawn to a manufacturing method of filter. Applicants elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-14 drawn to a filter catalyst.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: September 25, 2006

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